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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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 Examiner : 1600 Market Street
 Serial No. : 09/586,131 Philadelphia, PA 19103
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 Inventors : Marc Delcourt Docket: 1184-00
 Title : CLONING METHOD BY MULTIPLE-
 : DIGESTION, VECTORS FOR
 : IMPLEMENTING SAME AND
 : APPLICATIONS

Dated: November 28, 2000

CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

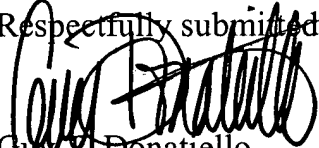
Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a two (2) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated August 25, 2000 from October 25, 2000 to December 25, 2000.

A check in the amount of \$390.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3405. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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